AMENDED CLAIM SET:

1. (currently amended) A reinforcing non-woven base fabric comprising:

reinforcing fiber yarns in which the reinforcing fiber yarn is selected from the group consisting of carbon fibers, glass fibers, boron fibers, and steel fibers, and is <u>a fiber extended yarn</u> made of multifilaments that form a flat shape without twists, and

a support fibrous member that is formed of multifilament yarn that is made of polyolefin composite fibers having a core-sheath structure in which the sheath portion is formed by a polymer having a lower melting point than that of the core portion;

wherein the reinforcing non-woven base fabric being formed by laminating and thermo-compressing the reinforcing fiber yarns and support fibrous <u>members to anchor the reinforcing fiber yarns with the support</u> member to form a sheet shape.

2. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the reinforcing fiber yarn is made of carbon fibers.

3. & 4. (cancelled).

5. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the core-sheath structure of the composite fibers having the core-sheath structure has a polypropylene (core portion)/polyethylene (sheath portion) structure or a polypropylene (core portion)/low melting point polypropylene (sheath portion) structure.

6. (cancelled).

7. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, having a three-layer structure in which two upper and lower layers of the groups of warp yarns with a fixed interval are placed, with the group of weft yarns being interpolated therebetween and the lower layer is laminated with an offset of a 1/2-pitch so as to place the yarn of the group of lower-layer yarns between the yarns of the groups of upper-layer yarns.

8. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the support fibrous member has a mesh structure in which multifilament yarns using composite fibers composed of at least two or more polymers having a difference in melting points are used as at least wefts.

9. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the sheet shape is maintained through fusion-bonding.

10. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the reinforcing fiber yarns are fiber extended yarns.

11. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein a plurality of reinforcing fiber yarns are aligned in one direction.

12. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the reinforcing fibers form biaxial reinforcing fiber yarn sheets that are made of a warp sheet in which the reinforcing fiber yarns are aligned in the length direction and a weft sheet in which the reinforcing fiber yarns are aligned in the width direction.

13. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the reinforcing fibers form multi-axial reinforcing fiber yarn sheets that are constituted by a yarn sheet made of reinforcing fiber yarns which, supposing that the length direction of the sheet is $0°$, are aligned in $0°$-direction, a yarn sheet made of reinforcing fiber yarns which are aligned in a $+ \alpha°$ -direction as well as in a $-\alpha°$-direction ($0 < \alpha < 90$) and a yarn sheet made of reinforcing fiber yarns which are aligned in a $0°$-direction and/or in a $90°$-direction.

14. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the high melting point polymer is a polypropylene polymer and the low melting point polymer is polyethylene or a low melting point polypropylene polymer.

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15. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein not less than two layers thereof are laminated with the reinforcing fiber yarns being used as a group of warp yarns and with the support fibrous member being used as a group of weft yarns.

16. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein said sheet shape is formed from multifilaments which have a degree of flatness in a range from 20 to 700.

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